



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5757

LCO No. 2366

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Referred to Committee on General Law

Introduced by:
(GL)

***AN ACT CONCERNING BEER MANUFACTURERS AND SUPPLIERS
AND WHOLESALE PRICE PROMOTIONS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 30-63 of the 2008 supplement to
2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

4 (b) No manufacturer, wholesaler or out-of-state shipper permittee
5 shall discriminate in any manner in price discounts between one
6 permittee and another on sales or purchases of alcoholic liquors
7 bearing the same brand or trade name and of like age, size and quality.
8 [, nor shall such manufacturer, wholesaler or out-of-state shipper
9 permittee allow in any form any discount, rebate, free goods,
10 allowance or other inducement for the purpose of making sales or
11 purchases.] Notwithstanding any other provision of the general
12 statutes to the contrary, a manufacturer or supplier of beer to
13 wholesalers may offer price promotions to wholesalers that require the
14 wholesalers to reduce their prices to retailers in order to receive a
15 discount from the manufacturer or supplier, provided: (1) The price
16 promotion is offered uniformly by the manufacturer or supplier to all

17 wholesalers, and (2) if a wholesaler opts not to participate in a price
18 promotion, the wholesaler shall not be entitled to the discount from
19 the manufacturer or supplier. Nothing in this subsection shall be
20 construed to prohibit beer manufacturers, beer wholesalers or beer
21 out-of-state shipper permittees from differentiating in the manner in
22 which their products are packaged on the basis of on-site or off-site
23 consumption.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	30-63(b)
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Statement of Purpose:

To allow beer manufacturers and suppliers to offer price promotions to wholesalers, who must then reduce their prices to retailers.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]